

WITNESS CREAGER'S ACCUSATIONS OF GOING OUT FOR EASIER

HAMON GETS BACK AT HIM

Asks That Oklahoma Representative Be Recalled to the Stand to Explain Why He Tried to 'Touch' McMurray

INDIANS ACCUSTOMED TO PAYING ATTORNEYS

Would Give 25 Per Cent if Need Be to Get Quick Action on the Sale of Their Lands; Creager's Reply to Accuser.

STATEMENT BY HASKELL

M'ALESTER, Okla., Aug. 8.—A charge that Congressman C. E. Creager of the Third Oklahoma district had solicited "bribe" money from J. F. McMurray, holder of the Indian land contracts which are being subjected to congressional investigation, was made by Jake L. Hamon before the special committee appointed by the National House of Representatives today.

The charge developed in connection with the inquiry into Senator Thomas P. Gore's declaration that he had been offered a \$25,000 or \$50,000 bribe to help "put through" Congress the McMurray deal, by which he asserted McMurray and his associates would be able to secure \$2,000,000, or 10 per cent, as attorneys' fees in the sale of 450,000 acres of coal, sulphur and timber land now belonging to the Indians in this state.

Senator Gore said Hamon had offered the bribe in McMurray's behalf, and Congressman Creager also had testified that Hamon had "suggested" that he (Creager) might secure an "interest" in the contracts if he helped to remove all opposition to their approval by Congress and President Taft.

Appearing before the committee today, Hamon made the counter charge against Creager. He said the congressman had solicited money from McMurray during the pendency in Congress of a bill that had been drawn up by McMurray and which Creager introduced. "This bill provided for the sale of the surface of the land to private individuals and for the sale of the mineral wealth to the government. Although the McMurray contracts were not referred to in it, the bill, Hamon said, was so worded that McMurray might have been enabled to put in a claim for the attorney's fees. The measure, however, was not passed."

Wants Creager to Explain.

"I want Mr. Creager recalled to the stand to answer these charges," said Hamon. "I want him to explain why, just after he introduced that bill, he went to McMurray and, under the guise of loans, demanded from McMurray large sums of money. I want him to throw considerable light on the Indian land situation at Washington if Creager is recalled and asked about his repeated demands for money from McMurray."

On being informed by Congressman Charles H. Burke, chairman of the committee, that it was doubtful if Creager would be allowed to introduce witnesses to testify to his charges. His request was taken under advisement.

It was the "Indian day" at the hearing. Many Indians testified that they had signed the McMurray contracts allowing 10 per cent attorneys' fees because they had become impatient at the government. As the government took no action, they said, they had concluded they had to employ attorneys to fight the government in order to secure what money had been promised.

Majority of Them Signed.

It was pointed out that 85 per cent of the Choctaws and Chickasaws had signed the 10 per cent agreement. This represented a large portion of the 110,000 Indians in this state, which contains more than one-third of all the Indians in the United States. That McMurray's agents had gone among the Indians and asked them to sign the contracts and to send telegrams to President Taft urging him to approve the sale of the land on a 10 per cent "attorneys' fee" basis, was the burden of most of the Indians' testimony.

"We have become used to the 10 per cent idea," declared Parke Anderson, Choctaw. "The government took no action, and the 1907 receipts exceeded those of any other year of record by almost \$60,000,000. While there was a deficit of \$5,754,953 in the ordinary operations of the government



CONGRESSMAN CAMPBELL.
Leading Member of Committee Investigating Contract Scandal.



CONGRESSMAN CREAGER.
Man Who Testified Against Hamon and Is Now Accused.

EXPECT TO CREATE TROUBLE IN SPAIN

Catholic Juntas Join Hands With the Carlists—Apostolic Benediction by Pope Pius X

SAN SEBASTIAN, Aug. 8.—The Catholic juntas of the Basque provinces decided at a meeting today to wage a broad campaign in "defense of Catholicism," and to use all efforts to spread the propaganda throughout Spain.

As the first step they named a general committee to organize a mammoth manifestation against the government. Later they will seek to create militant juntas in every province.

CROSSED IN LOVE HE COMMITTED SUICIDE

End of Gamaliel Bradford, Tenth in Descent From First Colonial Governor.

South Framingham, Mass., Aug. 8.—With a copy of Byron's poem beside him, Gamaliel Bradford III, of Wellesley Hills, direct descendant of William Bradford, first governor of the Plymouth colony, and a member of the graduation class of 1910 at Harvard, shot himself today at a local hotel, because the girl he loved, and who is engaged to another, had refused him. He was 23 years old.

News of the shooting reached the young woman who had rejected him, and she fainted. But upon recovery, she begged to go to Bradford's bedside at the hospital where he was taken, and there she remained until he died, a few hours later, unconscious to the end.

Young Bradford was a brilliant student, finishing his four years' course at Harvard in three years. He then entered the banking business in Boston. His college chum, Josiah Brooks, committed suicide two years ago under circumstances similar to those of today's tragedy.

The young man was tenth in descent of a family that contained many prominent men. His grandfather is Gamaliel Bradford of Brookline, the well-known publicist, anti-imperialist and former candidate for governor of Massachusetts.

GROUND TO PIECES.

Rawlins, Wyo., Aug. 8.—An unknown man was ground to pieces today by a Union Pacific train on Sison Hill. Pieces of the body, scattered along the track for a distance of 50 yards were gathered up in a basket.

MURDER IN TEXAS.

Denison, Tex., Aug. 8.—With throat cut from ear to ear, the body of Mrs. Joseph Wolfe, aged 51, wife of a local contractor, was found by her daughter, today, lying fully dressed on a bed in her home. An arrest is expected.

JOYER IN THE INDIAN BILL

Discovered Too Late to Send It Back to Congress, but the Administration Has Plans to Counteract Its Influence.

OVER 20,000 INDIAN CONTRACTS INVOLVED

Lands Stripped of Coal and Oil Since Congress Granted Right of Appeal to Defendants in Government Suits.

RECEIVERSHIP IS PROPOSED

BEVERLY, Mass., Aug. 8.—A vigorous prosecution to reclaim title to a vast amount of Indian land in Oklahoma is being planned by the department of justice for the coming autumn.

The principal actions in prospect is to overcome the effect of an ingenious "joker" written into the Indian appropriation bill just before that measure was handed to the President for his signature. The "joker" was discovered by Solicitor General Bowers, but it was too late to send the bill back to Congress, and that a means of offsetting the "joker" would be devised.

This "joker," which is now a law, granted the right of appeal to the United States Supreme court in a case involving over 20,000 Indian contracts, which had been decided in favor of the government by the court of appeals of the Eighth district. As the matter had been taken into the circuit court on a summary, the defendants had no right of appeal to the Supreme court.

If the belief of the government officials that the authority to appeal was secured with no idea that the case might be taken to the court of final resort, but simply to gain a delay of a year or eighteen months.

This belief is based on the fact that the lands granted to the Indians were practically all coal and oil lands, and every day that passes they are being stripped of these natural resources as fast as the coal can be mined and the oil pumped. A year and a half delay means millions of dollars to the claimants.

Will Ask for Receivership.

The plan to offset this move is to apply to the United States court in Oklahoma for a receivership for the lands just as soon as the bill is passed. In this way the court will exercise full control over all the operations of the land claimants, and the final successful litigation.

Investigating the contracts by which it is intended the Indians have been defrauded, the department of justice has many well known persons. The government is fighting the cases hard to protect them if Congress can be prevailed upon to do so.

The defendants in some of the actions that are pending have offered unique legal propositions to be met by the government. In the first place, they claim to be having no land in the United States, and the government has not the constitutional right to restrict charges of attempting to provoke disorder.

Pope Sends Blessing.

San Sebastian, Aug. 8.—In answer to telegrams from the Spanish Catholics, pledging their loyalty to the vatican in the present conflict, the president of the Roman Catholic junta received today the following telegram from Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary of state:

"In the present sad and bitter hour his holiness sees with particular satisfaction the sister Basque provinces evince their magnificent sentiments of unshaken Christian fidelity. He thanks you for your homage and filial love, and sends to you his paternal affection and apostolic blessing."

Reports Untrue.

Madrid, Aug. 8.—An official stated today that the government had no confirmation of the report current in several European capitals, that the pope had addressed a personal letter to King Alfonso, appealing to the king to use his influence for a settlement of the conflict between the Spanish government and the vatican.

The official further said there was no foundation for the reports at Rome, implying a prospect for the improvement of the relations of Spain and the vatican. He further denied a report that Spain had presented a protest to the vatican.

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HER BROTHER NOT DEAD.

Los Angeles Woman Wants Money Expended for Funeral Refunded.

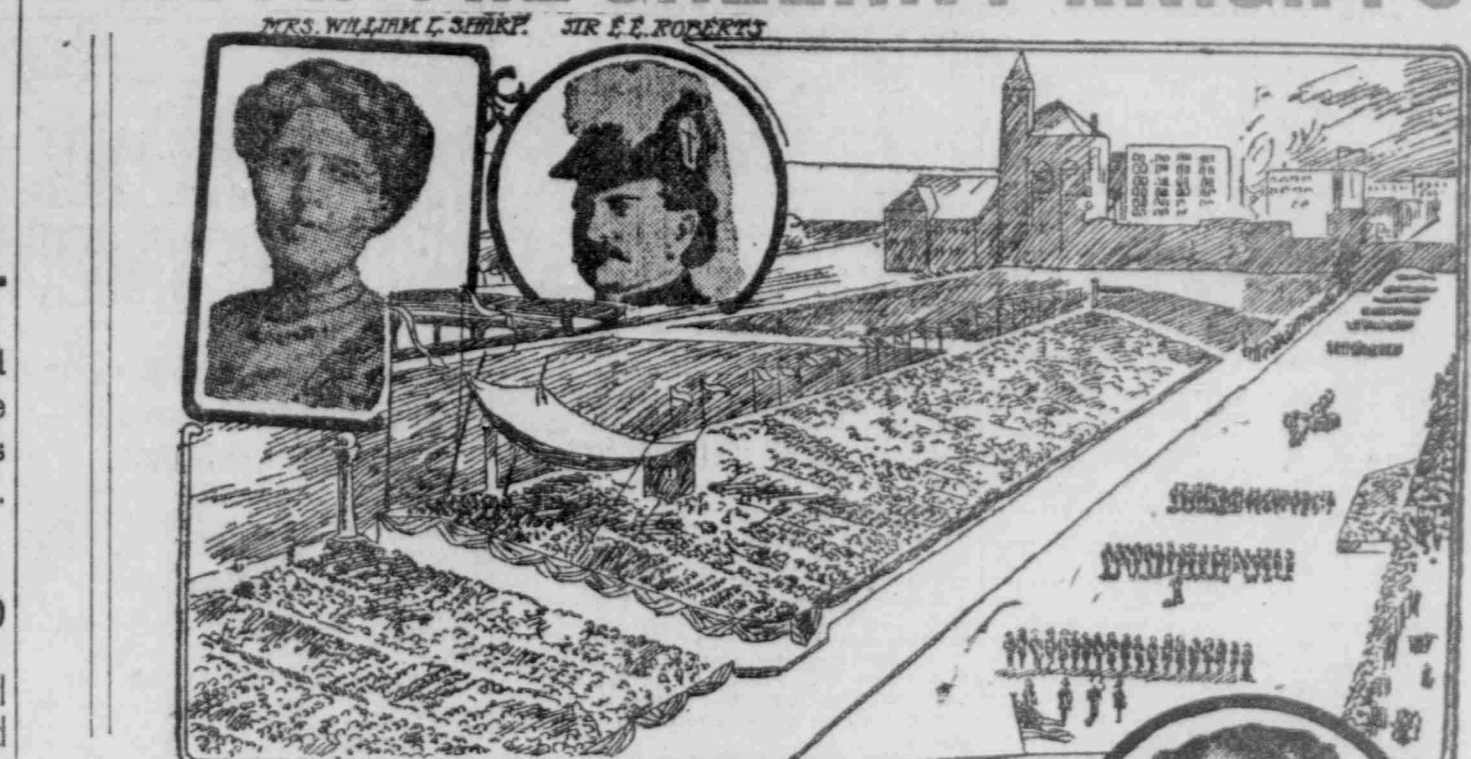
New York, Aug. 8.—A woman in Los Angeles, Mrs. M. G. Donnelly, threatens to bring suit against the city of New York unless the city refunds the money she spent in providing burial for the brother of a man who, through the mistake of a city clerk, she thought was that of her brother. In a letter received by the charities department today, Mrs. Donnelly says that New York must settle the bill.

On June 9, last, John Doyle, Mrs. Donnelly's brother, was admitted to the city home and was discharged on July 18. He gave as reference the name Mrs. Donnelly and another sister, who lives in Cincinnati. There was an error in the city clerk's office, and the brother was dead and she sent money for the funeral expenses. A little later she received a letter from her brother saying that he had recovered.

STEAMER IN DISTRESS.

Sydney, N. S. W., Aug. 8.—The French mail steamer Salazie is reported in distress thirty-two miles off Jervis bay, a port eighty-five miles from Sydney. A steamer was today dispatched to her assistance. The Salazie sails between Marseilles and Australian ports.

CHICAGO FAIRLY SWARMING WITH THE GALANT KNIGHTS



Immense grandstand in which 50,000 women will view Knights Templar parade. Eminent Sir E. E. Roberts, chairman of the Reviewing stand committee; H. G. Purinton, marshal; Mrs. William Leslie Sharp, vice chairman of the woman's auxiliary.

THIRTEEN PERSONS LOSE THEIR LIVES

Many More Badly Injured--Head-on Collision Between Passenger Train and Light Engine

IGNACIO, Cal., Aug. 8.—Thirteen persons were killed and at least twelve injured, several of them badly, tonight, when passenger train No. 6 on the Northwestern Pacific railroad, running between San Francisco and Santa Rosa, met in head-on collision with a light engine a mile and a half south of this place.

The engines met with such force that the engine of the work train, which consisted of a caboose and two light flat cars, shunted the passenger engine to one side and plowed part way through the baggage car, causing the baggage car and the smoker to telescope partly. Most all the men in the forward part of the smoker were killed and all in the rear were injured in some manner.

Relief trains were rushed from both ends of the line to the scene of the wreck. Some of the dead were brought to San Rafael and some to Santa Rosa. The injured were taken in various directions, making the list of names difficult to obtain. Owing to the way in which the cars were piled the work of rescue was extremely difficult and at midnight there were bodies still in the wreckage.

It was said that it would be impossible to get all of the bodies out before morning.

The Dead:

W. G. Pohlman, Petaluma.
George Riley, Sr., Petaluma.
Henry W. Emerson, Petaluma.
M. A. Bangs, bearing the card of the Rockford Musical union.
William Litauer, Santa Rosa, engineer of special.
John Wilkinson, guard at San Quentin prison.
Hermann Bayer, Santa Rosa.
Unidentified body bearing commutation ticket between Santa Rosa and San Francisco and watch with initials P. L.
The Badly Injured:

A. C. Burnham, Los Angeles.
J. R. Cain, Black Point.
Capt. R. S. von Tagen of the schooner Theodore Roosevelt, Alameda.
W. P. Bacheiler, Petaluma.
O. C. Van Pelt, Los Angeles.
Alexander Shera, conductor of the passenger train.
E. Speaker, engineer of the passenger train.
Edward Reynolds, fireman of the special.
Within two hours after the wreck occurred W. A. Palmer, general manager of the road; J. H. Hunter, superintendent, and a corps of physicians from neighboring towns and from San Francisco, were working at the wreck.

Occurred on a curve.

The wreck occurred at a sharp curve. The passenger train was traveling at a speed of 40 miles an hour, and the light engine was going at a fair speed. At the office of the dispatcher of the Northwestern Pacific the information was given out that one of the conductors had made a mistake in his orders and failed to take a siding. Suddenly the passengers were hurled.

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LETTERS TO CRIPPEN ARE BEING WITHHELD

Telegrams Also Under the Ban—Allowed to Answer Cables From Attorney.

Quebec, Aug. 8.—Letters and telegrams addressed to Dr. Crippen are being withheld at the provincial jail, but he is allowed to receive or answer only the cable messages from Arthur Newton, his London attorney, relating to the preparation for his defense. Fully a dozen letters and as many messages had never reached the prisoner because of the delay in the mail. Dr. Crippen is now in a man in Crippen's situation. All are from the United States or Canada, and most of them are enclosed in dainty square envelopes handwritting.

For the first time since her arrest, Miss Leneve asked today for something to read. The jailer sent her a number of magazines. A fresh batch of magazines was also sent to Crippen, who reads omnivorously.

The week for which Dr. Crippen and Miss Leneve, jointly charged with the murder, were remanded by the provincial court, expired this morning, but Judge Angers, before whom they were originally arraigned, said that in ordinary course the prisoners would not be requested to appear in court either today or any other time before they sailed for England.

Sergeant Mitchell of Scotland Yard will arrive this week from London, bearing the formal application from the English authorities for the extradition of Crippen and his companion.

CHAIRMAN WOODRUFF PAYS VISIT TO PRESIDENT TAFT

Conference on Politics in New York --- Cabinet To Be Called Together in September

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Timothy L. Woodruff, Republican state chairman of New York, talked politics with President Taft for more than two hours and a half today. Mr. Woodruff is optimistic over the outlook in New York state. He declares that a compromise will be reached on the primary question and significantly remarked before he left for home that circumstances might arise that would cause him to be a candidate to succeed himself as state chairman.

Mr. Woodruff, who has had the job for four years, says it is thankless, but he may try it again.

The compromise which Mr. Woodruff said would be reached on the primary question means a defeat of Governor Hughes' plan for direct nominations. Mr. Woodruff said that the party leaders in the state would not stand for the elimination of the convention principle. He said that President Taft and

CRIME OF AGED FARMER

Kills Widow of Brother-in-Law, Wounds Her Little Niece and Then Commits Suicide.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 8.—William Davis, 69 years old, a wealthy farmer of Brayer, Mo., shot and killed his brother-in-law's widow, Mrs. Mattie O'Dell, in a rooming house here today and then committed suicide.

Florence Truitt, the 7-year-old niece of Mrs. O'Dell, ran screaming into the room upon hearing the shots. Davis, before shooting himself, fired one shot at the child. She received a flesh wound.

Davis leaves a wife and son in Brayer. Mrs. O'Dell was 35 years old. Davis shot Mrs. O'Dell five times.

INCREASED DIVIDENDS.

Montreal, Aug. 8.—The Canadian Pacific railway today announced that the dividend of the company has been increased from 7 to 8 per cent, annually. The current half yearly dividend is announced as 2 1/2 per cent on railway earnings and half of one per cent on land sales.

NEW TARIFF LAW REVENUE
PRODUCER OF FIRST WATER
Greater Amount by \$75,000,000
Than Sum Collected in Any
Previous Year Except 1907

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The Payne-Aldrich tariff law has produced in its first year a revenue greater by \$75,000,000 than the sum collected in any year in the country's history except the banner year 1907, according to the treasury department today. The second year of the operations of the new tariff began today.

During the first full year, ended last Saturday night, the total ordinary receipts, including customs, ordinary internal revenue, corporation taxes and miscellaneous, aggregating \$78,850,316, exceeded disbursements by \$20,214,029. These ordinary receipts were greater by \$15,000,000, approximately, than during 1907, and the 1907 receipts exceeded those of any other year of record by almost \$60,000,000. While there was a deficit of \$5,754,953 in the ordinary operations of the government

in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1909, there was a surplus of more than \$20,000,000 in the year ended last Saturday night.

The corporation tax revenue was \$27,090,934, which is only \$207,000 less than the amount assessed.

Lax methods no longer prevail at the customs houses, it is said, and the improved morals are attributed an estimated augmentation of \$12,000,000 revenues at New York alone.

FINAL TRIP OF FRIGATE

The Portsmouth to Sail Around the Horn to Seattle to Be Transformed Into Navy Museum.

New York, Aug. 8.—The frigate Portsmouth, one of the last old square-rigged participants in the civil war still afloat, weighed anchor today on the first leg of her last journey. She will shortly sail for Seattle, where she is to be transformed into a naval museum.

The Portsmouth was built at Portsmouth, N. H., but she was largely manned by the state of Washington, and the claim of her descendants was given first call by the federal government, although San Francisco also put in a bid for her, because she took possession of California in the name of the United States. Her journey today was brief. She was towed to the New York navy yard, where her seams will be fresh calked for her trip around the Horn and up the Pacific coast. Until last year the Portsmouth was kept in commission as a training ship for the New Jersey naval reserve, but they abandoned her for the more modern monitor Tonopah.

Colonel Roosevelt were in accord as to New York politics and neither was "disposed to force his own views as to any man or thing."

Just how far Colonel Roosevelt will go in the coming campaign in fighting for the "direct" primary has not been stated. President Taft stated his position anew today. He also believed in the convention idea as a state tickle.

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